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Copy of General C. P. Cabell's letter

26 March 1965

Mr. Francis J. McNamara Director Committee on Unamerican Activities

Dear Mr. McNamara:

I have received your letter of 24 March and the copies of the hearings in the 88th Congress. I have studied H.R. 2379.

With reference to H.R. 2379, I am impressed by the "Findings and Statement of Policy" as given through Line 14 of Page 7, except for Lines 1-3 of Page 7. I do not have the knowledge which applies to those lines.

The problem for me lies in going from the above referenced sections which I heartily endorse to those sections which propose a way of meeting the challenge. I can neither oppose nor endorse the proposed method without a long, detailed study and research, comparable to that upon which the Committee itself is now embarked. Any testimony or even response to questions now would be barren, coming from me. I do not recollect the views which I might have developed on the issue a number of years ago and don't believe it would be profitable to try to resurrect those stale views.

My present commitments, as well as my freedom of movement for adequate research simply do not permit the devotion of the kind of effort required to be of any service to you.

I am asking you, therefore, please to excuse me from participating in a way which could only be half-baked.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. P. Cabell

